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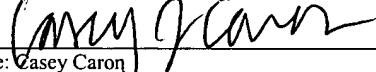
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title:	METHOD FOR MEASUREMENT USING SULFONIC ACID COMPOUND AND NITRO COMPOUND		

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b))

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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of each of the International Search Reports. At least some of the references were recently cited in an International Search Report mailed December 17, 2003 and July 12, 2002. Since the International Search Report is in English, no English translation of the listed foreign references are required, pursuant to MPEP §609(A)3.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

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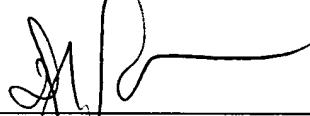
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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>						
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	US 6,732,944 B2	5/2004	Litherland et al.			
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<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>						
	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION
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	GB 2,263,076 A	7/1993	Great Britain			
	FR 2,348,058	4/1976	France			
	EP 1,214,986 A1	12/200	Europe			Abstract
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	WO 02/087774 A1	11/2002	WIPO			
	JP 59-032971	2/1984	Japan			Abstract
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